



**Practice:**Dispute Resolution

### **Education:**

Symbiosis Society's Law College, University of Pune (2004) LL.M. University of Pennsylvania Law School, Philadelphia, United States of America (2008)

### **Professional Affiliations:**

Enrolled with the Bar Council of Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry (2005) Empaneled with the MCCI Arbitration, Mediation and Conciliation Centre as an arbitrator

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Thriyambak Kannan is a Partner in the Dispute Resolution practice group in the Chennai office. With over 17 years of experience, Thriyambak specialises in corporate, commercial and civil litigation, advising on issues arising under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code and has also acted as a sole arbitrator in court appointed mandates.

He has been recently appointed as an arbitrator by the Madras High Court Arbitration Centre.

## **Representative Matters:**

In his area of expertise, Thriyambak has represented and advised the following clients:

## **Commercial Litigation**

- A branch of a large business family who are involved in the rubber manufacturing and processing industry before the National Company Law Tribunal seeking to reject a forensic audit report of a top accounting company as being against the terms of reference and also biased in favour of another section of the family;
- A large Indian conglomerate and its affiliates before the Madras High Court in a public interest litigation alleging violations of foreign direct investment in multi brand retail in India:
- An individual in a dispute pertaining to usurpation of control of the family company by the other three brothers in contravention of a family agreement and a subsequent scheme of demerger sanctioned by the Madras High Court. The proceedings were before the Company Law Board (now the National Company Law Tribunal) and the Madras High Court; and
- Indian joint venture partners of an Indo German joint venture Company on disputes that had arisen between the partners. The disputes were actions pending before the Company Law Board at New Delhi, arbitration matters, anti - suit and anti - arbitration proceedings and intellectual property right infringement actions.

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# <u>Arbitration</u>

- Simplex Infrastructures Limited, an engineering company in respect of arbitrations against Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited, the Public Works Department, Pondicherry and the Tamil Nadu Maritime Board seeking payment of outstanding bills of the engineering company; and
- A reputed insurance company in respect of claims disallowed by them, pursuant to recommendations of the surveyor which disallowance was challenged in arbitration and before the High Court.

## **Insolvency and Bankruptcy**

- The **Resolution Professional** of a company in insolvency wherein transactions are being sought to be characterised as preferential and fraudulent transactions, which transactions were also in contravention of orders passed by the Madras High Court; and
- The Resolution Applicant before the National Company Law Tribunal, Chennai proposing a resolution plan wherein the tax dues of the company in insolvency were to be written off under the plan without notice to the tax department.

# **Recognitions and Accomplishments:**

Thriyambak has been recognised and acknowledged for his experience and expertise by **Asian Legal Business** <sup>1</sup> as a "*Top Disputes Lawyer*" in 2020.